## HOWARD COUNTY ALCOHOL & DRUG ABUSE ADVISORY BOARD **MEETING MINUTES**

May 16, 2018

Howard County Health Department, 8930 Stanford Blvd, Columbia, 21045

ADAAB MEMBERS/DESIGNEES: Mark Donovan, Robert Ehrhardt, Cindy Johnson, Kassy Hargadon-Zester, Tanya Joyner, Jack Kavanagh, Bruce MacDonald, Carol Robinson, Roe Rodgers-Bonaccorsy, Joan Webb Scornaienchi and Linda Zumbrun

HEALTH DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, AND MENTAL HEALTH

**AUTHORITY STAFF: Marianne Gibson and Heather Moore** 

**GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE:** Jack Altfather

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS: The meeting was called to order at 5:17 p.m. by Chair Joan Webb Scornaienchi. She welcomed the board and guests. Introductions were made.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** The May 16, 2018 Agenda was approved.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The April 18, 2018 Minutes were approved.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** 

**CURRENT TOPICS AND ADAAB ACTION ITEMS:** Provided by Roe/Marianne

In the spring of 2017, the County Executive's office organized a Behavioral Health Integration Workgroup to decide how to integrate the Health Department's Bureau of Behavioral Health and the Howard County Mental Health Authority (HCMHA). The workgroup voted to integrate the HCMHA into the Health Department. A transition committee was formed and has been meeting to work through the integration process. The integration implementation date is July 1, 2018. With this integration, a new behavioral health board will be formed and the ADAAB and HCMHA boards will sunset. Four members volunteered from each board to create a subcommittee to determine the structure of the new board. A new behavioral health board named the Howard County Local Behavioral Health Authority (HCLBHA) Board will be formed July 1, 2018 and the ADAAB and HCMHA boards will sunset June 30, 2018. The HCLBHA Board will include a membership of 24 (16 Appointed/8 Ex-Officio). An importance of consumer/family member representation was a key focus in the development of the new board. The new HCLBHA Board membership will include 6 Consumers, 6 Family Members, 2 Professional/Provider/Advocates, and 2 At Large. By-laws, roles/duties, and voting rights were approved by a vote. Members are being considered for the new HCLBHA Board. Forward any interested individuals to Joan or Roe. The County Executive's office will be recruiting and appointing the new members.

In November ADAAB voted to fund start-up implement costs for Guiding Good Choices (GGC). Funds were used to partially support a pilot of the program. GGC is an evidence-based parent prevention program that teaches parents of children age 9-14 how to reduce the risk that their children developing problems associated with drug/alcohol use. In March, the Health Department trained 20 individuals across 11 agencies to be GGC facilitators. Each facilitator committed to conducting a minimum of 2 cycles of GGC by the end of FY19. Liesele is the contact person for the project. She will be sending out recruitment materials for facilitators to utilize.

Howard County's Opioid Response Related Activities Chart was discussed and feedback was taken in the meeting. The chart was forwarded to ADAAB members to review to provide any additional feedback.

The Response to a Crisis: Opioids in Howard County 2018 Report was discussed and feedback was taken in the meeting. The report is posted on the County Executive's new opioid help website <a href="https://www.HoCoOpioidHelp.com">www.HoCoOpioidHelp.com</a>.

## **Other Unfinished Business:**

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Bruce suggested ADAAB members should receive a certificate of participation in ADAAB.

ADAAB members suggested a closing celebration at the final board meeting in June 2018.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Joan announced that Linda Zumbrun received a Governor's Citation for her State service.

Joan also announced that 952.5 lbs of medication and 18 large bins of sharps were collected at the HC DrugFree drive-thru collection on April 28's national Take Back Day. The total medication collected in Howard County on that day was more than 1,000 lbs.

Joan asked the members if they had recommendations for a final report from ADAAB to the County Executive.

Next Meeting is June 20, 2017, at 5:15 p.m. at the Howard County Health Department.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:17 p.m.